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Bangladesh, Egypt, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of)*, Libyan Arab Jamahiriya*, Malaysia, Nigeria*, Papua New Guinea, Republic of Korea, Saudi Arabia*, Singapore*, Thailand*, and United Arab Emirates*: proposed amendments to draft resolution E/CN.4/1997/L.20

1. Replace the sixth preambular paragraph by

Recalling that article 6.2 of the International Covenant on C and Political Rights provides that sentence of death may be imposed for the most serious crimes in accordance with the law in force at time of the commission of the crime and not contrary to the provisi of that Covenant.

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* In accordance with rule 69, paragraph 3, of the rules of procedu of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council.

2. Add the following operative paragraph 1

Reaffirms the sovereign right of States to determine the legal system appropriate to their societies, taking into account the relevant provisions of international law;

3. Replace Calls upon by Invites in operative paragraphs 3 and 4.

4. Delete operative paragraph 5.

5. Delete operative paragraph 6.

6. Delete operative paragraph 7.

7. Delete operative paragraph 8.